

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 15 Oct 2020 until 23:59 on Friday 16 Oct 2020

Forecast Issued on Thursday 15 Oct 2020 at 03:03 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a spell of largely dry and settled weather until later Sunday, but some uncertainty over cloud cover details (west generally being best). Low confidence by Monday but likely unsettled.

Headline for Thursday 15 Oct 2020: Dry and sunny, often cloudier in the east.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 15 Oct 2020

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy Snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Sunny intervals	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	20%

Forecast for Thursday 15 Oct 2020

Weather: A chilly start with some patchy frost and the odd patch of fog or low cloud in the glens. Plenty of unbroken sunshine through the day, especially along the west coast but often cloudier across Easter Ross with a few light showers developing here later in the day.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 95% west coast. 70% east, falling to 40% after dark as cloud becomes more extensive above 600m.

Visibility: Generally excellent with good clarity to the air. Some fog across eastern ranges later in the day.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	11/13 SE	9/12 SE	9/13 SE	7/11 E	9/14 E	13/18 E	17/23 E
900	11/13 SE	9/12 SE	9/12 SE	7/11 E	11/16 E	15/20 E	18/24 E
600	10/13 SE	8/10 SE	8/11 SE	6/10 SE	8/14 E	11/17 E	10/17 E
300	6/10 E	5/8 E	6/10 E	5/9 E	6/12 E	6/14 E	6/15 E
Glen	9/12 E	8/10 E	6/8 E	5/8 E	9/14 E	10/16 E	9/16 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	1/-3	1/-3	1/-3	2/-2	1/-3	1/-4	1/-4
900	2/-3	2/-2	2/-2	3/-1	2/-2	2/-3	2/-4
600	4/1	4/1	5/2	5/3	4/1	4/0	4/0
300	4/2	5/4	8/6	8/7	6/4	4/2	4/2
Glen	7/4	7/5	10/9	11/10	8/6	7/5	7/4
Freezing Level*	1100m	1100m	1000m	1100m	1000m	1000m	1100m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Note temperatures around freezing near and above munro level.

Forecast for Friday 16 Oct 2020

Weather: On the whole a cloudier day to Thursday as areas of cloud drift westwards on light winds, this cloud thick enough to allow the odd light shower. The West Coast will stay more reliably clear, especially through morning with some sunshine here.

Maximum wind: Variable direction, but generally easterly, 10-15mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70% west, 30% east. Areas of cloud increasingly extensive above 500-700m.

Visibility: No issues below the cloud base, but persistent poor visibility likely across the bulk of the east at height.

Temperature: Glens: 1-3C rising 8-10C.
At 800m: 1-3C.
Freezing level: 1200m rising above summits.